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(SBU) The Ambassador delivered reftel demarche to Minister of Energy, Mines, Water and the Environment Amina Benkhadra on January 26, emphasizing our hope that Morocco would take action to associate itself with the Copenhagen Accord demarche before January 31. Later on January 26, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation Chief of Sustainable Development Faical Souissi told EconOff that the Minister of Foreign Affairs had decided to send an official notification to the UNFCCC Secretariat to confirm Morocco's decision to associate itself with the Accord. That letter, Souissi indicated, was still being composed, but should be sent before January 31.